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NEWS SUMMARY  
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TO KISSINGER AND KLEIN

THE MAJOR STORIES OF THE DAY:

- CBS/ABC LED (2 NBC) W/EXCELLENT 4 MINUTE FILM REPORTS ON RN-MEANY MEETING AND RN W/GLEASON. ABL NOTED "CORDIALITY" CONTRASTING W/THE "DISTINCTLY UNFAVORABLE" RECEPTION 15 MONTHS AGO. CHANCELLOR SAID "EVERYTHING WAS SMILES AND GOOD FELLOWSHIP" AS RN ON FILM PRAISED LABOR LEADERS FOR BACKING EFFORTS TO GET OUT OF VN IN THE RIGHT WAY. RATHER SAID IT'S CLOSEST RN HAS EVER COME TO PROCLAIMING VICTORY. CHANCELLOR SAID "RN FURTHER DEFINED VICTORY." ABC'S KAPLOW SAID THE RN-MEANY PAIRING WAS "HARDLY A MATCH MADE IN HEAVEN" BUT BOTH MEN ARE PRACTICAL AND NBC'S LEVINE GAVE DOUBLE REASON FOR PRACTICALITY: MEANY "LIKES HAVING HIS OPINIONS LISTENED TO" AND RN NEEDS LABOR SUPPORT FOR PASSAGE OF ANY TRADE LEGISLATION.
- ALL NETS NOTED STATEMENT BY GAUVIN OF ICCS THAT C-F PROGRESS HAS BEEN "UNSATISFACTORY" BUT THAT TRUCE TEAMS ARE STILL GOING TO GO INTO FIELD. CRONKITE SAID GAUVIN HAD CONFIRMED THE OBVIOUS -- C-F ISN'T WORKING. NEWSWEEK'S FEATURED INT'L ARTICLE IS CALLED: "WAGING THE C-F." ...FIGHTING DROPPED SHARPLY MON. -- LOWEST SINCE FEB. 8.
- ALL NETS W/FILM OF HAK W/MAO AND LATER W/TANAKA. ABC CALLED MAO MEETING "ULTIMATE SIGN OF SUCCESS" OF TALKS SINCE, AS NBC NOTED, MAO GREETED USUALLY ONLY HEADS OF STATE AND HIGH CP OFFICIALS. ABC/NBC NOTED FURTHER POSITIVE SIGNAL W/PRC FOREIGN MINISTER SEEING HAK OFF AT AIRPORT. NETS NOTED SPECULATION OVER POSSIBLE RETURN OF 2 POW'S HELD BY PRC, TRADE MISSIONS, JOURNALISTIC EXCHANGES, AND U.S. PULL OUT FROM TAIWAN. ...ABC NOTED HAK STOP-OVER IN TOKYO WAS TO COUNTER "SEISMIC WAVES UNDER JAPANESE GOV'T" WHICH HAVE BEEN CAUSED IN PAST BY U.S. POLICY "TURNABOUTS." NBC SAID

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U.S. "TOOK PAINS NOT TO OFFEND JAPAN." NETS TOOK NOTE OF INCREASING COMPETITION BETWEEN U.S./JAPAN. SMITH URGED U.S. PAY MORE ATTENTION TO JAPAN/EUROPE RATHER THAN PRC/USSR.

NBC LED ON KERNER CONVICTION WHICH "SURPRISINGLY" CAME ON ALL 17 COUNTS -- CONSPIRACY, PERJURY, FRAUD, TAX EVASION.

- ABC/CBS FILM FROM NOW CONVENTION AS BETTY FRIEDAN RASPIPLY PROCLAIMED WOMEN'S RIGHTS GAINS AND SAID IT'S TIME TO JOIN W/MEN TO CONQUER NEW WORLDS -- OUR "BROTHERS."
- ALL NOTED CRASH OF SOVIET JET AT PRAGUE, KILLING 77.
- NEWSWEEK'S COVER W/GALANT'S AS THE POW'S ARE "HOME AT LAST." COLOR PHOTO SPREAD ON THE HOMECOMING W/STORY EMPHASIZING THE GOOD MEDICAL AND MENTAL CONDITION OF MEN WHO DISPLAYED "WHAT OFTEN SEEM THE OLD-FASHIONED QUALITIES OF DISCIPLINE, MUTUAL LOYALTY AND UNYIELDING DETERMINATION." ...TIME, TOO LEADS ON THE "EMOTIONAL, EXUBERANT WELCOME HOME." ....TIME'S COVER W/SHULTZ TELLS OF "THE CHEAPER DOLLAR/IMPACT ON PRICES AND JOBS" AND REVIEWS THE "WINNERS AND LOSERS" W/U.S. SEEN COMING OUT OK. NEWSWEEK ALSO W/FEATURE ON "AMERICA'S NEW SHRINKING DOLLAR" AND U.S. NEWS LEADS W/"DOLLAR'S NOSE DIVE." ....MAIN U.S. NEWS COVER FEATURE IS INTERVIEW W/JDE ON "RN'S PLANS -- AN INSIDE LOOK." ....TIME/NEWSWEEK ALSO LOOK AT WHAT LATTER CALLS: "RN'S TOUCHY IOU TO NVN" OR AS TIME SAYS: "AND NOW, RECONSTRUCTION." FOCUS ON HAK TRIP AND WILL OPPOSITION TO AIDING TO NVN. (NBC FILM MON. OF BUCKLEY/ABOURZEK OPPOSITION AND FULBRIGHT'S CONDITION SUPPORT.)

RN AT AFL-CIO

AP LEADS: "RN PERSONALLY COURTED AFL-CIO AND IT PAID OFF WITH A STRONG HINT OF LABOR SUPPORT FOR HIS TOUGH NEW APPROACH TO STEM U.S. TRADE LOSSES."

UPI LEADS: RN MET W/TOP UNION OFFICIALS, THANKED THEM FOR SUPPORTING HIS WAR POLICIES, TALKED ABOUT HIS PLANS TO CURB IMPORTS AND TOLD THEM FOOD PRICES SHOULD START MODERATING IN LATE SUMMER."

AP LEADS: "RN SAID POW'S ARE RETURNING HOME W/'HEADS HIGH... KNOWING WE HAD ACCOMPLISHED THE OBJECTIVE OF U.S." IN PREVENTING COMMUNIST TAKEOVER OF SVN." ...SIMILARLY, UPI LEADS: "RN SAID U.S. ACHIEVED ITS OBJECTIVE IN INDOCHINA OF PREVENTING COMMUNIST MILITARY VICTORY IN SVN."

ON NBC MEANY, ASKED IF HE AND RN WERE FRIENDS, SAID RN WAS FRIEND OF ALL AMERICANS AND THAT THO HE OFTEN DISAGREED W/HIM, RN HAD DONE A "GOOD JOB" IN BRINGING AN "HONORABLE CONCLUSION" TO A WAR WHICH HE DIDN'T START. NBC'S LEVINE NOTED FIGHT MIGHT COME OVER SPENDING CUTS BUT THAT FOR NOW MEANY AND RN ARE IN ACCORD

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ON VN AS THEY HAVE BEEN ALL ALONG. ...MEANY SAID U.S. "SHOULD TURN AROUND AND CLOSE THE DOOR" ON ANY NATION THAT CLOSES THE DOOR ON U.S. PRODUCTS. HE SAID RN WAS TAKING AN APPROACH ALONG THAT LINE AND RN'S "IDEA HAS A WHOLE LOT OF MERIT." UPI SAYS MEANY GAVE 1ST GLIMPSE OF DETAILS IN RN PROPOSALS WHEN HE SAID "RN WANTS TO NEGOTIATE W/THESE COUNTRIES WITH AUTHORITY FROM HPRL TO APPLY DIFFERENT METHODS OF NEGOTIATION, TO BLOCK THEM OFF IF THEY ARE BLOCKING US OFF, TO IMPOSE COUNTERVAILING DUTIES IF THEY ARE SUBSIDIZING, TO STOP DUMPING."

#### TRADE/DOLLAR

FREE TRADER HHH SAID SENTIMENT IS GROWING ON HILL AND IN U.S. FOR RESTRICTIONS AGAINST IMPORTS. HE SAID LEGISLATION TO GIVE RN POWER TO NEGOTIATE RELAXED TRADE BARRIERS WILL BE IN HILL TROUBLE UNLESS IT CARRIES GENEROUS PROVISIONS FOR AIDING WORKERS WHO LOSE JOBS CAUSE OF IMPORTS. "YOU CAN'T TELL THE MAN WHO LOSES HIS JOB THAT HIS LOSS IS U.S. GAIN."

#### INDOCHINA

#### POWS

"THEY HADN'T ONLY SURVIVED AN ORDEAL THAT DEFIED IMAGINATION, BUT THEY EMERGED FROM YEARS OF TORMENT W/A STRENGTH AND SPIRIT THAT SURPASSED EVEN THE WILDEST EXPECTATIONS OF FAMILIES, MILITARY AND NATION." IT WAS, SAYS NEWSWEEK, "A RARE MOMENT OF UNITY AND JOY" FOR US IN RECENT YEARS AS IT SEEMED CO GET "A NEW SENSE OF HOPE THAT THESE IMPRESSIVE MEN....MIGHT HELP HEAL THE LINGERING WOUNDS OF WAR."

TIME TELLS OF "A NIXONIAN MOOD OF EBULLIENCE" W/RISNER'S CALL PERHAPS SEEN AS "THE MOST HEARTENING KIND OF VINDICATION" AND RN RETURNED TO DC AS "YET ANOTHER NEW NIXON -- EBULLIENT, CONCILIATORY, EVEN HUMOROUS...HE WAS SUDDENLY EVERYWHERE....HE ALSO MADE AND TALKED POLICY ON A BROAD RANGE OF ISSUES" -- TRADE, SCOPING STATE ON HIJACKS, AND ENVIRONMENT/AGRICULTURE MESSAGE. "RN HAD RARELY BEEN MORE VISIBLE OR VOLUBLE" AND PN'S FIRST PUBLIC CIGARET SINCE '69 WAS "A SMOKE SIGNAL" OF THE NEW RELAXATION, SAYS TIME.

#### OTHER CEASEFIRE-RELATED

NEWSWEEK W/A 2 PAGE REVIEW OF THE CONTINUED FIGHTING NOTES A SAIGON "EXPERT'S" VIEW THAT NVA IN SVN ARE NOW HOLDING BACK TO HELP PRG ATTAIN PEACEFUL IMAGE BUT THEY CAN'T TAKE THE ARVN

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ATTACKS INDEFINITELY AND UNLESS THERE'S A MODUS VIVENDI WHEN US LEAVES, NVA'S HEAVY WEAPONS WILL ENTER THE FRAY. HANOI REALLY ONLY FEARS US BOMBING AND "IT REALIZES THAT ONCE US PULLS OUT ENTIRELY, IT'LL BE VERY HARD EVEN FOR RN TO GET THEM BACK IN AGAIN." IF SUCH DARK PREDICTIONS ARE VALID, THE PEACE AFTER THE 2ND INDOCHINA WAR COULD PROVE TO BE BUT A SHORT BREATH THE 3RD."

GI'S DROPPED TO 14,180. IF W/DRAWALS CONTINUE AT PRESENT PACE OF 405/DAY, ALL WILL HAVE LEFT BY 27 MARCH. ...US NEWS REPORTS US VN ROLE MAY BE DRASTICALLY CHANGING BUT NOT "BASIC GOAL OF KEEPING MAINTAINING EQUIPMENT AND WEAPONS AND PERHAPS INSTRUCTING ARVN -- WILL PRODUCE COMMUNIST CHARGES OF VIOLATIONS BUT A EUROPEAN GUPLOMAT WAS INDIFFERENT TO RESULT CAUSE NVN WILL CONTINUE INFILTRATING INTO SVN AND US WILL "WINK AT BAN" ON TECHNICAL TRAINING. ~~AS LONG AS VIOLATIONS AREN'T~~ EXTREME AND DON'T GIVE EITHER SIDE DECISIVE EDGE, THERE'LL BE NO SERIOUS COMPLAINTS, SAYS US NEWS.

### Reports

CONTRASTING TO ~~REPORTS~~ THAT MARTIN'S THE ONE, US NEWS SAYS SULLIVAN WILL REPLACE BUNKER "SOON AFTER" RN-THIEU MEETING.

ANOTHER REASON FOR NVN RETURN TO THE TABLE IN JAN: LESS THAN 2 DOZEN SAMS REMAINED BY TIME US RAIDS STOPPED, REPORTS NEWSWEEK.

RLG-PATHET LAO PEACE DRAFT WAS REJECTED C/JSE OF WHAT RIGHT WING ELEMENTS CALLED TOO STRONG A REPRESENTATION FOR ~~PATHET~~ LAO AND ITS NEUTRALIST BACKERS. ...SOUVANNA PHOUMA IS HOPEFUL FOR CEASEFIRE THIS WEEK BUT DECLINED TO SAY IF HE HAD ASSURANCE OF CONTINUED US BOMBING SUPPORT. HE SAID C-F MUST BE WRITTEN AND MUST INCLUDE W/DRAWAL OF FOREIGN TROOPS. ...KARNOW W/NEGATIVE CAMBODIA REPORT IN NEW REPUBLIC WHERE HE SAYS ANY CEASEFIRE WILL COME TOO LATE FOR THE "RAVAGED" LAND WHICH "SCARCELY (HAS) A COMPREHENSIVE ENTITY" FOR A GOV'T. LON NOL IS CALLED "A CRIPPLED, PETULANT OLD MAN WHOSE LEGITIMACY IS DUBIOUS... DISTRUSTFUL...AND GOVERNING HAPHAZARDLY."

TIME'S NUMBER 2 STORY FOCUSES ON HAK VISITS TO NVN AND PRC AND HIS "PLANS TO HEAL THE WOUNDS OF WAR THRU A PHARMACOPOEIA OF ALF." SEPARATE REPORT ON THE CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF REBUILDING NEEDED, ESPECIALLY IN THE NORTH "BECAUSE OF THE CONCENTRATED US BOMBINGS." ...NEWSWEEK'S NUMBER 2 STORY SAYS RN'S CAUTION ON OUTLINING SPECIFIC AID PROGRAM IS "WELL WARRANTED; JUDGING BY GRUMBLING ON HILL, A NICKEL FOR NVN WOULD BE TOO MUCH. ~~SHOCKED~~ IN GRIM BATTLE FOR POWER W/RN AND DISMAYED BY DOMESTIC CUTS, HILL IS OUTRIGHT MUTINOUS AT AID PROSPECT, "SAYS NEWSWEEK WHICH QUOTES A SENATE GOP LEADER: "IT JUST WON'T WASH. HOW CAN A SENATOR SUPPORT HOSPITAL, FLOOD AND EDUCATION CUTS -- AND THEN VOTE MONEY FOR SAME THING FOR HANOI?"

NEWSWEEK SAYS WH HOPES TO RIDE OUT CURRENT OPPOSITION, LETTING TIME TAKE WEAY TAIN OF "REPARATIONS" AND THEN MOVING IN W/STRONG

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PITCH FOR MULTINAT'L PROGRAM WHICH WILL COME TO HILL AT LEVEL WHICH "WH FULLY EXPECTS TO BE WHITTLED DOWN TO JUST UNDER SUM RN INTENDED IN 1ST PLACE." NEWSWK SAYS DOD BUDGET HAS "LARGE POCKETS OF FAT" EMBLESSLY FOR DIVERTING INTO SUCH FUNDS. RATHER THAN USE THOSE BY PLAT IF HILL CONTINUES TO BALK, NEWSWK SAYS "RN IS MORE LIKELY TO GO TO PUBLIC W/A HARD-SELL CAMPAIGN THAT PORTBAYS HILL OPPOSITION AS A THREAT TO PEACE."

CHANCELLOR NOTED MANY MCS HAD "BITTERLY, VIOLENTLY" OPPOSED VN WAR AND MANY ARE AGAINST GIVING AID TO REBUILD NVN. NBPJS DUKE SEES AID PROPOSAL CAUGHT IN "DEADLY CROSSFIRE" OF OPPOSITION FROM LIBERALS AND CONSERVATIVES. FULBRIGHT WANTS AID TO BE MULTILATERAL SO US CAN DISENGAGE COMPLETELY. JIM BUCKLEY OPPOSES AID CAUSE VN WASN'T DEFEATED AS GERMANY AND JAPAN WERE; IT'S STILL INTACT, ITS ECONOMY IS OPERATING AND IT HAS 150,000 TROOPS IN SVN AND HAS NOT ABANDONED ITS CAMPAIGN AGAINST SVN. ABOUREZK TERMED IT A CASE OF "UPSIDE-DOWN PRIORITIES" W/MONEY SPENT ON NVN THAT SHOULD ~~BETTER~~ BE SPENT ON FARM PROGRAMS, HOSPITALS AND OTHER DOMESTIC NEEDS. HE TERMED THE PROSPECT OF NVN AID "RIDICULOUS" AND NBC'S DUKE CONCLUDED IT WAS HIGHLY UNLIKELY ON LARGE SCALE.

IN WHAT UPI CALLS ONE OF MOST SYMPATHETIC VIEWS ON AID HEARD SO FAR, SEN. TED STEVENS SAID IF US COULD WAGE WAR IN INDOCHINA BY DEFICITS, IT SHOULD BE READY TO SECURE PEACE THE SAME WAY. HE URGED SENATE KEEP AN OPEN MIND ABOUT AID, CALLING THE AREA "A BLISTER ON THE ECONOMY OF THE WORLD" THAT COULD BECOME A CANCER IF US DOES NOT HELP. ...BUT HARRY BYRD SAID THERE WAS NO GUARANTEE US AID WOULD BE USED FOR LOCAL CITIZENS. "WE KNOW FROM BITTER EXPERIENCE THAT IN INDOCHINA, MEN AND MATERIAL DISAPPEAR AS IN QUICKSAND. WILL NOT THE PIT EQUALLY BOTTOMLESS FOR US TAX DOLLARS?"

TUNNEY AGREED MONEY FOR AID WAS A PROBLEM "UNLESS WE'RE WILLING TO ~~BITE~~ **THE** BULLET AND RAISE TAXES." ...MONDALE SAYS HILL SHOULD INSIST ~~WE~~ SPARE SOME DOMESTIC PROGRAMS FROM AX IF IT WANTS AID TO NVN. HE'S PARTICULARLY ANXIOUS TO PRESERVE FARM SUBSIDIES.

#### HAK TRIP/EAST-WEST

CHANCELLOR NOTED HAK FLIES HOME FROM TOKYO "ANOTHER MISSION COMPLETED FOR RN." OVER FILM OF HAK/MAO AND CHOU ESCORTED HAK, NBC'S RICH SAID ALL DETAILS ARE BEING W/HELBVTIL RETURN TO DC, BUT THE ATTITUDE OF THE US DELEGATION INDICATED PROGRESS MADE. ...CHANCELLOR ALSO NOTED "INCIDENTALLY" THE PART HAK PLAYED IN THE EARLY RELEASE OF 20 POW'S.

CRONKITE NOTED HAK SPENT MORE TIME W/CHOU AND MAO THAN RN DID. FILM OF MEETING W/"LEGENDARY" MAO WAS GIFT TO HAK AND A GOOD

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INDICATOR TALKS WENT WELL. REPORTER BILL MCLAUGHLIN SAID MAO LOOKED ALERT AND PLEASED. HE USED FREQUENT, PATERNAL GESTURES SPEAKING TO HAK. CBS MAN SAID MEETING WAS BELIEVED TO CENTER ON "CONCRETE PROPOSALS" FOR IMPROVING RELATIONS AS WELL AS ON VN C-F AND NEXT WEEK'S INT'L CONF. CBS, AS DID ABC NORAD SPECULATION OVER POSSIBLE US PULLBACK FROM TAIWAN. ...AP SAYS, SOURCES CLOSE TO US DELEGATION SAY THERE'S BEEN IMPORTANT ADVANCE IN US/PRC UNDERSTANDING BUT CAUTION AGAINST SPECULATION THAT IT MEANS FORMAL DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS.

FROM TALKING W/NEW FRIEND -- OR AT LEAST NEW ACQUAINTANCE IN PEKING, HAK WENT TO JAPAN WHERE STRAINS OF ALLIANCE ARE EVIDENT, SAID CBS. NO AGENDA FOR TALKS DURING THE BRIEF STAY BUT HAK EXPECTED TO REASSURE JAPAN IT WON'T BE OVERLOOKED IN NEW ASIAN POLICY. JAPAN SAID TO VOICE CONCERN OVER TRADE WAR FEARS. ...ABC'S CHAPMAN NOTED HAK TOLD JAPANESE THAT RN HAD ORDERED STOP- OVER CAUSE OF JAPAN'S IMPORTANCE. CHAPMAN OBSERVED THE JAPANESE WERE EAGER TO KNOW ABOUT TALKS IN PRC BUT THAT NVN REHABILITATION, ECONOMY AND TRADE WERE ALSO DISCUSSED. ...ABC CLOSED W/FILM OF HAK GOING OUT TO DINNER, ATTENDED BY GEISHAS.... AP SAID IT WAS APPARENT JAPANESE WELCOMED THE HAK STOP, COMING AS IT DOES IN THE MIDST OF MOUNTING OPPOSITION TO TANAKA'S RULE W/HIS POLITICAL FORTUNES AT THEIR LOWEST SINCE HE TOOK OFFICE.

HAK'S CURRENT TRIP IS SEEN "TO SIGNAL A NEW CHALLENGE AND A NEW COMMITMENT," SAYS ARNOLD OF NAT'L OBSERVER WHO NOTES EXPERTS SEE HAK NOW SEEKING "TO BECOME THE ARCHITECT OF PEACE... (WITH) HIS ULTIMATE OBJECTIVE AS PERSUADING PRC, USSR, JAPAN AND EUROPE TO COOPERATE IN SECURING WORLD ORDER." W/FEW, IF ANY JOBS, SEEN AS INTERESTING AS HIS CURRENT ONE, ARNOLD NOTES HAK SAYS THERE ARE MORE INTERESTING THINGS TO DO THAN TEACH AT HARVARD. AND "CAPITAL-HOPPING IN ASIA IN PURSUIT OF RN'S 'GENERATION OF PEACE,' HAK WAS DOING THEM."

ACCORDING TO NEWSWEEK, BREZHNEV WANTS TO COME ~~HERE~~ <sup>HERE IN</sup> ~~IN~~ EARLY SUMMER, RATHER THAN FALL, DUE TO CONCERN THAT US ISN'T IMPLEMENTING TRADE AND OTHER MOSCOW ACCORDS QUICKLY ENOUGH. AND UPI'S THALER IN ~~London~~ <sup>London</sup> NOTES COMMUNIST SOURCES SAY RN-BREZHNEV PLANS ARE AGAIN ~~UNDER~~ <sup>UNDER</sup> "ACTIVE CONSIDERATION" AGAIN IN USSR CAUSE OF WORRY OVER WARNING US-PRC RELATIONS AND NOW UNEASINESS AND OUTRIGHT ANXIETY OVER CORDIALITY ON HAK'S TRIP.

THE GO-BETWEEN FOR THE WEST ON MBFR RETURNED TO VIENNA TO INVESTIGATE SERIOUSNESS OF SOVIET INTENTIONS. BRUSSELS SOURCES SAID NATO HAD DECIDED TO STAND FIRM AGAINST SOVIET DEMANDS AND OFFER NO CONCESSIONS... & ~~At least~~ <sup>At least</sup> 30 GOP/DFM SOLONS WILL JOIN TUES IN EFFORT TO CONVINCE RN TO SEEK AN INT'L BAN ON UNDERGROUND NUCLEAR TESTS.

US NEWS SAYS US GRAIN EXPORTS TO USSR ARE CLOGGING US TRANSPORT SYSTEM. AND SERIOUS PROBLEM IS GETTING WORSE, NOT BETTER

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W/USSR "CHAFING AT DELAY." SENATE PASSED 60-15 A WATERED-DOWN RESOLUTION CALLING ON USDA TO TAKE STEPS TO SLOW DOWN THE SALE OF GRAINS WHICH ARE GLUTTING MIDWEST PORTS. COMPROMISE BY PASTORE OUT OUT A PLEA FOR MORATORIUM ON THE SALE OF COMMODITY CREDIT CORP GRAIN.

HKS FEELS US PRIORITIES ARE REVERSED W/GREAT INTEREST FELT FOR HAK TRIP TO PRC CONTRASTING W/CASUAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO HIS VISIT TO JAPAN. SIMILARLY SEEN IN INTEREST LEVELS OF IMPENDING BREZHNEV VISIT VS. THE HEATH'S VISIT. US IS "UTTERLY FASCINATED" W/THE NOVELTY AND PROMISE OF IMPROVED RELATIONS W/OLD ENEMIES WHILE REMAINING "INDIFFERENT, NEGLIGENT, AND SOMETIMES, ON TRADE PROBLEMS, HOSTILE TO FRIENDS," SAID HKS AS HE URGED RECONSIDERATION OF PRIORITIES NOTING THE RELATIVE LOW STANDING OF PRC AMONG TOP 20 INDUSTRIAL NATIONS WHILE JAPAN IS 3RD AND WILL SOON PASS USSR FOR 2ND. AND ALTHO USSR IS STILL THE BIG POWER IN EUROPE EEC WILL SOON OVERTAKE IT.

HKS SAID A JAPAN-US-EEC ALIGNMENT WOULD BE "VASTLY STRONGER THAN ANY OTHER POSSIBLE COMBINATION ON EARTH" AND IF HARNESSSED TO PEACE, IT WOULD PRODUCE RESULTS UNACHIEVED AT PRESENT. THE TIME IS OVERRIPE FOR RN TO APPLY "SAME SHRED DIPLOMACY" TO BRINGING TOGETHER OLD FRIENDS. INVESTMENT IN FRIENDS, NOT ENEMIES, IS FAR MORE PROMISIN BUT US HAS BEEN VISIBLY NEGLECTING IT, SAID SMITH.

#### OTHER FOREIGN AFFAIRS

UK SAID SHE AND EEC WILL STAND ASIDE TO ALLOW US TO PROMOTE MDD EAST PEACE INITIATIVE. ... NEWSWEEK SAYS MEIR MAY GET WARMER RECEPTION THAN EXPECTED AT MARCH WH VISIT DUE TO HER KILLING OF PALME CONDEMNATION OF US BOMBING AT SOCIALIST CONF IN PARIS LAST MONTH. "WE WOULDN'T BE HERE IF IT WEREN'T FOR US," SHE SAID.

CHOU SPUD PRC SUPPORTS PAK'S STRUGGLE TO DEFEND ITS INDEPENDENCE AND SOVEREIGNTY AGAINST "FOREIGN AGGRESSION AND SUBVERSION,"... 1 DAY BEFORE MOYNIHAN'S ARRIVAL. INDIA'S GOV'T CALLED FOR CLOSER US- INDIA RELATIONS.

FOREIGN AID COULD WELL FOUNDER AT MONTH'S AND AS SEN. FOREIGN RELATIONS CONTINUES TO INSIST ON A REGULAR BILL -- RATHER THAN A CONTINUING RESOLUTION -- BUT WH REFUSES TO ACCEPT THE BILL, SAYS NEWSWEEK.

#### OTHER ADMIN

ROG MORTON HAS A PROSTATE MALIGNANCY AND WILL ENTER STANFORD FOR RADIATION. HE SAID IT HAD BEEN DISCOVERED " IN AN EARLY STAGE AND WAS EXPECTED TO RESPOND.

#### LATE NEWS/MISCELLANY

NOTING RN GOES TO SC "TO EMPHASIZE AGAIN HIS RECURRING THEME THAT US ACHIEVED 'PEACE W/HONOR' AND THE GI'S DID NOT DIE IN VAIN," UPI'S THOMAS SAYS THAT "IN A STEADY DRUMFIRE OF APPEARANCES, RN HAS SOUGHT TO STIR UP PUBLIC ENTHUSIASM THAT VN HAD BEEN WORTH THE SACRIFICES AND PREVENTED A COMMUNIST MILITARY TAKEOVER OF SVN. HE HAS STOPPED JUST SHORT OF CLAIMING A VICTORY." SHE GOES ON

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TO SAY THAT "WH AIDES INDICATE RN HAS BEEN DISAPPOINTED THAT INSTEAD OF A MASSIVE OUTPOURING OF GRATITUDE, THE C-F HAS BEEN GREETED ONLY W/A WIDESPREAD SENSE OF RELIEF."

AP SAYS MOYNIHAN BROKE PROTOCOL BY READING A STATEMENT AT AIRPORT ARRIVAL IN NEW DELHI. HE SAID HE DOESN'T MIND IF THE 2 COUNTRIES MAKE DIFFERENT JUDGMENTS ON WORLD AFFAIRS. HE DECLINED TO SAY IF HE URGED RN FREE AN AID GRANT FOR INDIA.

ALL NETS NOTED MARSHAL PETAIN'S BODY HAS BEEN STOLEN FROM ITS GRAVE.  
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